

NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Donation from Devil's Lake Concession Corporation

FOR: FEBRUARY 2008 BOARD MEETING

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Matt Frank

SUMMARY:

The Devil's Lake Concession Corporation was established in 1949 and has supported Devil's Lake State Park and its programs for over 58 years. In 2007, park staff and the Concession Corporation were notified by DNR regional staff that Devil's Lake was in danger of a gypsy moth infestation that could result in the defoliation of hundreds of acres of trees. The defoliation would have the potential to kill trees and influence attendance and revenue at Devil's Lake State Park. In June 2007, Rocky Arbor State Park was closed due to a gypsy moth infestation resulting in the loss of thousands of dollars in revenue and the loss of hundreds of trees.

To avert a gypsy moth infestation at Devil's Lake, Department staff have recommended the aerial spraying of 1,500 acres. To assist in the cost of this spraying, the Devil's Lake Concession Corporation would like to donate \$10,000.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board accept this donation.

LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:

- No Fiscal Estimate Required
- No Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required
- No Background Memo

- Yes Attached
- Yes Attached
- Yes Attached

APPROVED:

Kimberly Currie for Bill Smith
Bureau Director, William H. Smith, Acting Director

2/15/2008
Date

Laurie Osterdorf
Administrator, Laurie Osterdorf

2/15/2008
Date

Secretary, Matt Frank

Date

- cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/5
- L. Osterdorf-AD/5
- L. Eagan-SCR/Fitchburg
- M. Aquino-SCR/Fitchburg
- R. Evans-Devil's Lake/Baraboo

- W. Smith-PR/6
- P. Biermeier-PR/6
- L. Netzer-PR/6

Acknowledgment Of Gift

This is to certify that at its February 2008 meeting, the Natural Resources Board gratefully accepted a gift of \$10,000 from

The Devil's Lake Concession Corporation

to be used in the control and spraying of Gypsy Moths at Devil's Lake State Park.

Our expression of appreciation on behalf of Wisconsin's citizens is hereby recorded in the official records of the Natural Resources Board. We acknowledge this generous contribution.

Natural Resources Board

Christine Thomas, CHAIR